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REMARKS

Claims 1-32 and 39-41 are canceled. Claims 33-38 and 42-45 are currently pending. Applicants wishes to thank Examiner Kifle for indicating claims 33-38 and 45 are allowable.

Claim 41 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second as indefinite for failing to point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as his invention. Claims 42-44 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

Claim 41 was canceled. Claims 42-45 have been rewritten to depend on claim 33 instead of claim 41. The claims in their present form are believed to retain all the limitations previously incorporated into the rewritten claims.

CONCLUSIONS

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. The appropriate fees have been paid and no additional fee is believed due with this amendment; however, in the event a fee is required, authorization is hereby give to debit any deficiency from our deposit account 18-1700. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner telephone the undersigned at (650) 855-6995.

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